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ESOL TAPAS

TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL APPETIZERS



Parma City Schools' EL/Civics Class

More Trainings Listed!

The following trainings are now available on the Training Calendar:

BEST Plus - February 11 in Euclid
- March 4 in Dublin

ESOL Basics - February 25 in Euclid
- April 14 in Dublin

Intro to LTA – listed on self-directed page

Register at www.ohioable.org.

Web Resources

Life Skills Manual Level 1 - 62 page manual on 9 life skills complete with realistic pictures. Great for refugees!

www.cal.org/co/domestic/toolkit/Complete_Curricula/CSU-Life_Skills_Manual.pdf

Nepali Newsletter - <http://aksharica.com>

Nepali Dictionary Project – Bhutanese/Nepali families can request a Nepali-English dictionary at www.nepalidictionaryproject.org

US Citizenship Teachers – Resources and Downloads for teachers!

<http://uscitizenshipteachers.org/default.aspx>

Ohio ABLE Library.org

The new centralized system!

Pearson Longman FUTURE Series:

U.S. Citizens with Active Book

Transitions to Work:*

Food Services

Healthcare

Hospitality

Manufacturing

Technology

For Beginning & Intermediate Levels

*Originally published as *Workplace Plus Job Pack*

Request titles at www.ohioablelibrary.org.



NIFL Discussion Lists!

Are you a member of the English language acquisition (ELA) discussion list? It's a great professional development opportunity for busy ESOL teachers to connect to peers across the country. To subscribe to the ELA list, go to <http://lincs.ed.gov/mailman/listinfo/Englishlanguage/#sub>.

There will be a discussion on the adult ELA list during the week of January 31-February 4, 2011. The topic is "Developing Academic Readiness Skills with Adult English Language Learners from the Beginning." The guest facilitators are Betsy Parrish and Kimberly Johnson.

Discussion Description

Given the realities of the skills needed for high-demand occupations, adult ESL programs need to expand their work to better prepare English language learners to transition into career pathways or postsecondary education. Programs serve adult learners with diverse educational backgrounds, interrupted schooling, or limited literacy, and it takes time to master academic language and readiness skills, such as reading and listening strategies, organizing information and note-taking strategies, and critical thinking. This discussion will explore best practices for integrating academic readiness skills at *all* levels of ESL instruction, particularly at the beginning levels.

For a brief biography of the facilitators, a more detailed discussion description, and a link to a reading related to the discussion, go to <http://lincs.ed.gov/lincs/discussions/englishlanguage/11readiness>

If you are already a member of the adult ELA list, you may simply post messages at englishlanguage@lincs.ed.gov

USCIS FY2011 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program

USCIS has announced the availability of three competitive grant funding opportunities designed to help prepare lawful permanent residents (LPRs) for citizenship and promote immigrant integration in the United States.

USCIS will offer approximately \$8.5 million for citizenship preparation programs in communities across the country. Applications are due by April 1, 2011. For information and updates on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program, visit <http://www.uscis.gov/grants>.

Interested individuals may participate in a meeting on Thursday, February 3, 2011 from 1:00 to 3:00pm (EST) regarding the FY 2011 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program. The purpose of this meeting is to collect questions and make clarifications, where possible, regarding the grant program application requirements and application process. Email public.engagement@dhs.gov by February 2nd.



TEACHING Civics and Citizenship to Immigrants

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YOU WILL LEARN ABOUT

- ★ The naturalization test
- ★ The naturalization process
- ★ How to prepare students for the naturalization interview and test

A Free Workshop for ESL, Civics and Citizenship Teachers of Adults

Hosted by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Office of Citizenship and the Northeast ABLE Resource Center

March 2, 2011 ★ 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Euclid Public Library

Please complete the attached registration form and fax it to 202 272 1316. There is no on-site registration.

Directions

Euclid Public Library, The Shore Room, 631 East 222nd Street,
Euclid, OH 44123

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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Teacher Training Workshop

A FREE Workshop for Civics and Citizenship Teachers of Adults

REGISTRATION FORM

Today's Date (mm/dd/yy):	<input type="text"/>	Your Fax Number:	<input type="text"/>
Workshop Location: Euclid Public Library		Workshop Date (mm/dd/yy): 3/2/11	
PARTICIPANT INFORMATION			
First Name: <input type="text"/>	Are you a: (check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> ESL teacher <input type="checkbox"/> EL/Civics teacher <input type="checkbox"/> Citizenship teacher <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer <input type="checkbox"/> Administrator <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="text"/>		
Last Name: <input type="text"/>			
Organization: <input type="text"/>	Title: <input type="text"/>	Email Address: <input type="text"/>	
Street Address: <input type="text"/>	Phone Number: <input type="text"/>		
City: <input type="text"/>	State: <input type="text"/>	Zip Code: <input type="text"/>	
How did you hear about this workshop? <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> USCIS Website <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="text"/>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Flyer <input type="checkbox"/> Coworker			
<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> My employer			
HOW TO SUBMIT THIS REGISTRATION			
Please print this form and fax to 202-272-1316 by February 21, 2011. Space at this workshop is limited. There will be no on-site registration.			

Print Form